I had showered favours, he has authorized them to wear the white cockade, and soon he will try to substitute it for our national cockade. In a few days I shall attack him in Paris. I count on you . . .

(A pause; silence.)

Am I right ?

(Vive TEmpereur! Vive I'Empereur! To Paris! To Paris!)

We will go and prove to them that the French nation is mistress of her own soil; that if we have long been masters among others, we will always be so here, and that we are able to defend our colours, our independence, and the integrity of our country. Communicate what I have said to your men.

4th. (To Berthier.) Order the Dukes of Ragusa, of Treviso, of Reggio, of Conegliano, to report at the palace to-night at ten, and to arrange so as to be back at their posts before dawn.

(Declaration.) The allied Powers having announced that the Emperor Napoleon is the sole obstacle to the reestablishment of peace in Europe, the Emperor Napoleon, mindful of his engagements, declares that he is ready to descend from the throne, to give up France and even life itself for the good of the country, inseparable from the rights of his son, those of the regency of the Empress, and the maintenance of the laws of the Empire.

Done in our palace of Fontainebleau the 4th of April, 1814.

5th. (To Berthier.) Order General Trelliard, who is near Nemours, to march to-morrow towards Pithiviers. Tell